

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

TROY LAMONT MOORE,	)	DEPOSITION UPON
SR.,	)	
	)	ORAL EXAMINATION
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	OF
- vs -	)	
	)	TROY LAMONT MOORE,
COMMISSIONER LOUIS	)	SR.
GIORLA, MAJOR MARTIN,	)	
C.O. WALDEN, R.N.	)	
MEDICAL NURSE		
MCGROGAN,		
Defendants.		

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TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOSITION,  
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2 reading, signing, sealing, filing, and  
3 certification of the transcript have been  
4 waived; and all objections, except as  
5 to the form of the question, have been  
6 reserved until the time of trial.)  
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8 TROY LAMONT MOORE, SR.,  
9 after having been duly sworn, was examined  
10 and testified as follows:  
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12 BY MR. SHOTLAND:

13 Q. Mr. Moore, my name is Aaron Shotland. I  
14 represent some of the defendants in this case.

15 Can you hear me okay?

16 A. Yes, I can, sir.

17 Q. We're going to take your deposition. I'm  
18 joined with counsel for another defendant,  
19 Mr. Ferrante, who's going to have some questions for  
20 you as well. But let me start by asking you, have  
21 you ever been deposed before?

22 A. No, I have not.

23 Q. Well, this is a deposition and I'm going to  
24 ask you questions. There's a court reporter here on

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1 this end that's going to take down all my questions  
2 and all your answers. So I'm going to give you some  
3 instructions so that this deposition goes smoothly  
4 and that she can record everything that's said.  
5 Okay?

6 A. Yes, sir.

7 Q. Please try to keep your answers verbal, try  
8 not to shake your head or nod your head or  
9 demonstrate anything with your body. Keep all your  
10 answers verbal. Okay?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And wait until I'm finished asking a  
13 question before you begin your answer, that way she  
14 can write down everything that we both say. Okay?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. If you don't understand a question, let me  
17 know and I'll rephrase it so that you do understand  
18 it. But if you answer a question, I'm going to  
19 assume that you understood it. Okay?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. Have you taken any substances today that  
22 would prevent you from testifying honestly and  
23 accurately?

24 A. No.

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1 Q. How are you feeling today?

2 A. Good. I would like to, if possible, make a  
3 short statement before we begin. So I'll wait until  
4 you're finished with instructions and then see if  
5 that's allowed.

6 Q. You can say whatever you want. I'm done  
7 instructing you, so go ahead.

8 A. Okay. I just have a short statement. On  
9 1/12/15 I forwarded both defendants' counsel a  
10 letter advising it is imperative for a postponement  
11 regarding this deposition on 1/16/15 at 2 o'clock at  
12 SCI Forest.

13 On 1/12/15 I informed the Unit Manager of  
14 Childs and Counsellor Price the need to contact the  
15 defendants' counsel by phone. Both parties denied  
16 me access to contact the defendants' counsel  
17 regarding noncompliance with Judge Robreno's motion  
18 to compel for the inspection of evidence consisting  
19 of the video footage, documents, repair reports and  
20 medical reports.

21 On 1/12/15 I submitted inmate requests to  
22 staff member SCI Force Medical Department to obtain  
23 those medical records. On 1/13/15 Bob Rumsick (ph),  
24 medical records supervisor, denied my request to

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1 inspect my medical records.

2 In addition, the defendant's counsel, Aaron  
3 Shotland, has failed to forward any and all evidence  
4 for inspection per Judge Robreno's order to compel.

5 At this time I would like to formally  
6 request the defendants contact Judge Robreno's  
7 chambers by phone to ascertain subpoenas for the  
8 following things: The video footages, cell repair  
9 reports, medical records and witnesses Childs,  
10 Price, Sara Segal and Bob Rumsick to testify at the  
11 deposition. Thank you.

12 Q. Are you finished?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay. Thank you.

15 Can you state and spell your name for the  
16 record?

17 A. Troy Lamont Moore, T-R-O-Y, L-A-M-O-N-T,  
18 M-O-O-R-E, S-R.

19 Q. What is your date of birth?

20 A. 8/20/1972.

21 Q. Where do you currently reside?

22 A. At SCI Forest.

23 Q. Do you know what town that's in?

24 A. I do not.

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1 Q. How long have you been incarcerated at SCI  
2 Forest?

3 A. Since April 1st of 2014.

4 Q. Where did you reside prior to SCI Forest?

5 A. At SCI Graterford.

6 Q. How long were you at SCI Graterford?

7 A. I believe less than six months.

8 Q. So you would have arrived there some time  
9 around October or November of 2013?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. Where did you reside prior to SCI  
12 Graterford?

13 A. PICC Prison in Philadelphia.

14 Q. When did you begin to reside at PICC?

15 A. I was first incarcerated July 4th of 2012.

16 Q. And from July 4th, 2012 to sometime in  
17 October or November of 2013 you were at PICC?

18 A. I'm sorry -- I'm sorry, 2000 -- this is  
19 '15, last year is '14, '13. I'm sorry, 2013 I  
20 believe.

21 Q. So you're saying you got to PICC on July  
22 4th, 2013?

23 A. Actually, I was arrested then. It takes  
24 several days to get to the prison. So that's the



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1 day I was arrested though.

2 Q. Some time in July 2013 you began your  
3 incarceration at PICC; is that fair?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. The incident that we're here for today,  
6 that occurred on September 16th, 2013?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. Did you graduate from high school?

9 A. Yes, I did.

10 Q. Where did you attend high school?

11 A. I attended high school at Bensalem High  
12 School in Bensalem, PA.

13 Q. What year did you graduate?

14 A. 1990.

15 Q. Do you have any education beyond high  
16 school?

17 A. I have an associates degree in business  
18 management.

19 Q. Where did you obtain your associates  
20 degree?

21 A. Ashworth College.

22 Q. What year did you obtain your associates  
23 degree?

24 A. 2006.

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1 Q. Do you have any education beyond your  
2 associates degree?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Did you have -- do you have any formal  
5 training after 2006, formal education?

6 A. Some education with Chevrolet.

7 Q. What did you do with Chevrolet?

8 A. I was a consultant and sales agent for two  
9 major dealerships in Houston.

10 Q. When was that?

11 A. 2011 to 2012.

12 Q. Are you married?

13 A. No, I am not.

14 Q. Do you have any children?

15 A. Two.

16 Q. What was your last employment prior to  
17 being incarcerated?

18 A. I was a shift supervisor for an oil  
19 refinery in North Philadelphia.

20 Q. What was -- who was your employer?

21 A. Neats Foot Oil Refinery.

22 Q. Can you spell that?

23 A. N-E-A-T-S, F-O-O-T, Oil Refinery.

24 Q. And can you give me your dates of

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1 employment at the oil refinery?

2 A. I believe January of 2013 to July of 2013.

3 Q. You were employed by the oil refinery when  
4 you were arrested?

5 A. I just had resigned a week before.

6 Q. I want to talk to you a little bit about  
7 your criminal history. My understanding is you were  
8 convicted of robbery in 2002 --

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. -- is that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. How many years did you serve for that  
13 conviction?

14 A. Nine years, nine months, 26 days, 23 hours,  
15 15 minutes, 20 seconds.

16 Q. When were you released?

17 A. I was released -- actually, I left the  
18 state system on prerelease in 2011.

19 Q. Where did you serve the majority of your  
20 time for the 2002 conviction?

21 A. At SCI Rockview.

22 Q. How long did you spend at Rockview?

23 A. Roughly seven and a half years.

24 Q. And you were arrested again in 2013; is

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1 that correct?

2 A. That is correct.

3 Q. And you pled guilty to robbery in 2014; is  
4 that correct?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. And you're currently serving a 10 to 20  
7 year sentence for that conviction?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. Have you been convicted of any other crimes  
10 that we haven't talked about?

11 A. No, just the robbery.

12 Q. I want to talk to you to a little bit about  
13 your medical history.

14 Do you -- did you have any health issues  
15 prior to September 16th, 2013?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What kind of health issues did you suffer  
18 from?

19 A. I have a lower lumbar disability, which is  
20 mainly handled through the VA, Veterans  
21 Administration. I have CAD, which is coronary  
22 artery disease, which I am prescribed and take  
23 Nitrostat Tabs PRN. And also I have PTSD.

24 Q. When were you first diagnosed with your

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1 lower lumbar disability?

2 A. My best estimation would be '97.

3 Q. And you've suffered with lower lumbar  
4 issues ever since?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. When were you first diagnosed with coronary  
7 artery disease?

8 A. I would say '98.

9 Q. And have you continued to suffer from  
10 coronary artery disease since 1998?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. When were you diagnosed with PTSD?

13 A. 2012.

14 Q. Do you know what the PTSD stems from? Is  
15 it from a certain incident?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What happened?

18 A. Actually, it's an assault that happened  
19 while I was in the military.

20 Q. How long were you in the military?

21 A. From 1990 to 1993.

22 Q. And you were diagnosed with PTSD in 2012.  
23 Was there any kind of incident that triggered from  
24 the PTSD from the prior Army assault?

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1 A. Actually, I was -- I was checked into a  
2 mental institution --

3 Q. Was that in 2012?

4 A. -- slash hospital. That was in 2012.

5 Q. And what did they tell you at the hospital?

6 A. They went over my history, and at that time  
7 they diagnosed me with PTSD.

8 Q. Has somebody told you that PTSD stems from  
9 the assault in the Army when you were enlisted?

10 A. In the marine corp, yes.

11 Q. I'm sorry, the marine corp.

12 Who told you that?

13 A. A doctor at the hospital I was -- I was at.

14 Q. What hospital did you treat at?

15 A. That was -- I can't remember the hospital's  
16 name offhand, but it is in my medical records.

17 Q. Do you have a copy of your medical records  
18 from that hospitalization?

19 A. To my understanding, we are not, as  
20 inmates, allowed to possess medical records while  
21 we're incarcerated.

22 Q. I'm asking you whether you have access to  
23 those records or not?

24 A. I don't have access to them, but they're

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1 here because the institution actually sent it to the  
2 hospital to acquire those records.

3 Q. Understood.

4 Let's talk about the September 16th, 2013  
5 incident. Can you describe that incident in your  
6 own words?

7 A. Would you like me to go from start to end?

8 Q. Well, let's start with -- my understanding  
9 is there was an overflowing toilet in your cell; is  
10 that correct?

11 A. That is correct.

12 Q. What caused the overflowing toilet in your  
13 cell?

14 A. I have absolutely no idea what caused it.  
15 Basically that evening, approximately 23:15 hours, I  
16 was sitting on a footlocker about to take off my  
17 shoes and get prepared for bed. Across the room  
18 from the toilet, the water in the toilet absolutely  
19 exploded covering me in raw sewage.

20 My first instinct was to get to the sink to  
21 wash it out of my eyes and my mouth. At that time I  
22 also went through distress due to irregularities in  
23 my heart beat, chest pains, shortness of breath.  
24 Basically I banged on the door as long as I could to

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1 get the officer on duty to open the door so I could  
2 get out of that situation and to no avail basically.

3 Q. Let me back up a little bit. It was not  
4 the toilet in your cell that overflowed, it was the  
5 toilet in the cell across from you; is that correct?

6 A. No. No. No. It was the toilet in my  
7 cell. I was sitting across the room from the  
8 toilet.

9 Q. Can you describe your cell as far as the  
10 size of it?

11 A. I think basically most cells are about the  
12 same, eight and a half feet by -- eight and a half  
13 by 13. So I'm sitting on the opposite side of the  
14 room from the toilet.

15 I just want to add that the burst out of  
16 the toilet was so violent there was defecation four  
17 feet high on the walls so...

18 Q. What do you mean by defecation?

19 A. Human waste, solid human waste.

20 Q. You were sitting on your footlocker near  
21 the door to the cell; is that correct?

22 A. That is correct.

23 Q. And the toilet is on the other side of the  
24 cell?



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1 A. Correct. Not long ways, short ways.

2 Q. Did you have a roommate or a celly at the  
3 time?

4 A. I did at the time. His name is  
5 Mr. Bassamy.

6 Q. Can you spell that?

7 A. He was actually -- B-A-S-S-A-M-Y, first  
8 name Gabriel.

9 Q. And this is cell number 18; is that  
10 correct?

11 A. That is correct.

12 Q. And it was in the G2 unit at PICC?

13 A. That is correct.

14 Q. Was Mr. Bassamy in the cell when the toilet  
15 exploded?

16 A. Yes, he was. He also was contaminated with  
17 raw sewage. He was actually about to climb the  
18 ladder to get on the top bunk. So we were pretty  
19 much in the same proximity.

20 Q. Mr. Bassamy was not using the toilet at the  
21 time; is that correct?

22 A. No. No one was using the toilet.

23 Q. Did you look at the toilet at any point in  
24 the day prior to this incident?

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1 A. Yes, the toilet was working fine all day.

2 Q. Did you observe anything in the toilet?

3 A. I'm sorry?

4 Q. Did you observe anything in the toilet that  
5 was obstructing the toilet?

6 A. No, not at all.

7 Q. So as you sit here today --

8 A. I also would like to add --

9 Q. As you sit here today you have no idea why  
10 the toilet exploded?

11 A. No, I do not. But I'd also like to add  
12 that the cell directly next to ours overflowed also  
13 that same night. Throughout the night the toilet in  
14 my cell overflowed approximately every 10 minutes  
15 throughout the night until that next morning when  
16 they brought emergency maintenance people on the  
17 block.

18 Q. The first time it overflowed was about  
19 11:15 p.m.; is that correct?

20 A. Yes, sir.

21 Q. And it continued to overflow throughout the  
22 night; that's your testimony?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. What time in the morning did -- you said

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1 repairmen came out to repair the toilet; is that  
2 right?

3 A. I'm sorry, one repairman came in the  
4 morning. Our doors were actually opened at -- I  
5 believe at around 7 -- 07:30.

6 But I'd also like to add that because of  
7 the constant overflowing all night, the correctional  
8 officer, her name was Walden, she actually allowed  
9 an inmate, a block worker, to come out of his cell.  
10 She posted him outside of my cell door all night  
11 just to mop so the raw sewage wouldn't go across the  
12 tier into other cells.

13 Q. Who was that inmate?

14 A. I don't have his name.

15 Q. What time were you let out of your cell the  
16 next morning?

17 A. I believe it was approximately 7:30.

18 Q. Between the hours of 11:15 p.m. and 7:30  
19 a.m. the next day did you speak to any PICC  
20 employees other than Correctional Officer Walden?

21 A. No. The only person that I had contact  
22 with is Correctional Officer Walden. I continued to  
23 bang on the door for the first hour after the  
24 incident happened. She continued to walk by and act

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1     like she couldn't hear me.

2             At that point, because I was in distress, I  
3     had to actually lay down and try to calm myself down  
4     because of the chest pains. At that point my celly,  
5     Mr. Bassamy, continued to bang on the door to no  
6     avail. The door was not opened, but she did let the  
7     block worker out to clean and make sure that raw  
8     sewage didn't spread.

9             And also the cell next to ours, she allowed  
10    those inmates to evacuate their cell, clean their  
11    cell and lock them back in, but we weren't allowed  
12    to.

13    Q.       When you say the block worker, I'm a little  
14    confused as to who that is. Is that someone from a  
15    different cell than yours?

16    A.       That is correct. He was on the same tier  
17    as me. His job on the block was to sweep, mop,  
18    clean showers during the day. So he's, I guess you  
19    would say, kind of like a trustee for the block.  
20    He's a long-term incarcerated inmate in the county.

21    Q.       And you said that he was mopping the area  
22    all night long?

23    A.       That is correct.

24    Q.       What time did he start mopping?

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1 A. Approximately 10 minutes after the toilet  
2 exploded. She went down, she unlocked his door, he  
3 came out and got the equipment and basically  
4 squeegeed and mopped raw sewage into the drain  
5 system. And he did that all night to my knowledge.

6 Q. At some point did you request medical  
7 attention?

8 A. I asked Officer Walden -- at that point I  
9 was banging on the door letting her know that I  
10 needed medical attention. I was totally ignored.  
11 She never even spoke to me.

12 Q. Do you know Officer Walden's first name?

13 A. No, I do not. I'm assuming -- I believe we  
14 had a difference in opinion as far as when we met  
15 last time with the judge as to how to find Officer  
16 Walden. I believe that all officers are required to  
17 log in and out. So on that day during the overnight  
18 graveyard shift that's the only person who was  
19 there.

20 Q. What time did you request medical attention  
21 for the first time?

22 A. Right away.

23 Q. So around 11:30?

24 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Did you write up a sick call request at  
2 some point?

3 A. I actually did -- I believe over the next  
4 week I probably submitted six or seven sick call  
5 requests. After the last one I was told by a  
6 doctor, who normally does sick calls, that my sick  
7 call request would no longer be accepted.

8 Q. What doctor was that?

9 A. I have no idea of what her last name is. I  
10 believe she is of Indian decent.

11 Q. Well, I'm looking at the attachments to  
12 your complaint. It looks like this sick call  
13 request that I'm looking at is labeled Exhibit 2A.

14 Do you have a copy of your complaint there?

15 A. Not in front of me.

16 Q. Do you recall making a sick call request,  
17 and this one is dated September 17th, 2013? It says  
18 medical problem, be specific, you wrote shortness of  
19 breath, throwing up, diarrhea, rash, facial and arms  
20 due to exposure of raw sewage for several hours.

21 Is that familiar to you?

22 A. Yes, sir.

23 Q. Do you recall writing up that sick call  
24 request?

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1 A. Yes, sir.

2 Q. The date on it, it has a 9, a dash and then  
3 something written and scribbled out and then a 17  
4 written over whatever was scribbled out.

5 Do you know what was written prior to it  
6 being scribbled out and 17 being placed above it?

7 A. To my knowledge there shouldn't be anything  
8 scribbled on it.

9 Q. Okay. The date on it with the correction,  
10 whatever it was, is 9/17/2013. Is that the date  
11 that you wrote this sick call request and submitted  
12 it?

13 A. I believe so, that would be the day after.

14 Q. What time of day did you submit -- write it  
15 and submit it?

16 A. I'm not sure what time of day it was.

17 Q. Could you tell me whether it was the  
18 morning, the afternoon, the evening?

19 A. I cannot give you a specific -- when it  
20 was.

21 Q. That sick call request was your first sick  
22 call request that you prepared after this incident;  
23 is that correct?

24 A. It happened on the 16th, yes, I would

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1 concur with that.

2 Q. When did you start experiencing shortness  
3 of breath?

4 A. During the incident.

5 Q. How soon after the incident did you have  
6 shortness of breath?

7 A. I would say when the chest pain started.

8 Q. When did the chest pain start?

9 A. Pretty much right after the incident  
10 happened while I was at the sink.

11 Q. So maybe a few minutes afterwards, a few  
12 hours afterwards?

13 A. A few minutes.

14 Q. It also -- the sick call request also says  
15 that you were throwing up. When did you throw up?

16 A. I threw up in the cell. And also I have  
17 periods of throwing up, vomiting days following.

18 Q. When did you stop throwing up?

19 A. It wasn't more than maybe four days.

20 Q. You were throwing up for four days?

21 A. Not constantly. Periods, yes.

22 Q. So this incident happened on the night of  
23 the 16th. Is it your testimony that you threw up on  
24 the 16th, the night of the 16th, the 17th, the 18th



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1 and the 19th?

2 A. That is correct, sir.

3 Q. When did you start experiencing diarrhea?

4 A. I would say the night -- the night -- the  
5 evening of the 17th.

6 Q. How long did you have diarrhea?

7 A. I believe two days.

8 Q. And you also said that you had a rash. Can  
9 you tell me about the rash?

10 A. I had patches of rashes from my scalp all  
11 the way down my body, which the medical department  
12 examined.

13 Q. Now, you kind of just said that you had  
14 rashes covering your body. Was that your entire  
15 body?

16 A. Not the entire body, but in patches, yes.  
17 From my scalp all the way down including athlete's  
18 feet (sic), rash on my feet.

19 Q. Did the -- did this incident cause you to  
20 have athlete's foot? Is that your understanding?

21 A. I would say yes because I didn't have any  
22 foot fungus prior to this incident. My best  
23 assumption would be from actually standing in an  
24 inch of raw sewage is probably what caused that, not

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1 to mention, I was soaked in it.

2 Q. There was one inch of raw sewage in your  
3 cell?

4 A. Exactly. What happens is, those cells --  
5 the layout of those cells, they're slanted. So if  
6 something overflows, the cell actually fills up  
7 about an inch before gravity will push anything out  
8 under the door. So it was about maybe an inch of  
9 raw sewage on the floor, which I was ordered to  
10 clean up the day after with no protective gear.

11 Q. Did you follow that order and clean it up?

12 A. I did. I followed that order. I actually  
13 cleaned the cell before they allowed me to take a  
14 shower to get the raw sewage clothes off of me.  
15 After that I was allowed to proceed to medical.

16 Q. What time did you proceed to medical?

17 A. I would assume it would be around 9  
18 o'clock.

19 Q. 9 a.m. on September 17th you went to  
20 medical?

21 A. That is correct, sir.

22 Q. Can you tell me about your treatment at  
23 medical?

24 A. Okay. I proceeded to medical. Once I got

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1     there I let them know that I was in distress. I had  
2     chest pains, shortness of breath. I sat in the  
3     waiting room.

4             Approximately 15 minutes later I was called  
5     to the next corridor where one of the defendants'  
6     nurse, RN McGrogan, came over to me. I explained to  
7     her that I had CAD. At that point I requested a  
8     Nitrostat Tab. She then proceeded to put a finger  
9     monitor on my finger and walked away from me.

10            Approximately two minutes passed by, she  
11     came down, she took the finger monitor off. I asked  
12     her again for a Nitrostat Tab and her exact words  
13     were, you're wasting my time. And she ordered me  
14     back to the block.

15     Q.           Did you receive any other treatment while  
16     you were at medical other than what you just  
17     described?

18     A.           Absolutely none.

19     Q.           Did you return to medical at any point?

20     A.           The only time I went back to medical was  
21     right before I was being transferred upstate and  
22     that was for checking out purposes.

23     Q.           When were you transferred upstate?

24     A.           I believe November 11th of 2013.

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1 Q. So if I understand you correctly, between  
2 September 17th, 2013 and November -- November 7th,  
3 2013 you did not see a medical professional at PICC?

4 A. No, I did see a medical professional. It  
5 just wasn't in the medical department. From filling  
6 out the sick call slips they would call me over to  
7 the mini triage which is right outside the block.

8 In those sessions describing the fungus on  
9 my feet, the rashes, the stomach problems, the  
10 violent vomiting, the severe headaches for I would  
11 say probably weeks, they treated me for those  
12 things.

13 For the fungus they gave me fungal cream.  
14 For the violent vomiting they gave me antacids for  
15 my stomach. For the chronic headaches they gave me  
16 aspirin. Actually I saw someone, but it just wasn't  
17 in the medical department.

18 Q. Was the person you saw at the medical  
19 triage, was that a nurse?

20 A. I believe she was a doctor.

21 Q. You saw a medical doctor?

22 A. This is the same -- I'm sorry. This is the  
23 same person that told me my sick call requests would  
24 no longer be honored.

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1 Q. Do you know who that person is?

2 A. I do not know her name. She is of Indian  
3 decent.

4 Q. And your understanding is that that's a  
5 medical doctor?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Did you receive any diagnoses from the  
8 doctor or the nurse that you saw?

9 A. No, I did not, other than just saying that  
10 these are minor problems.

11 Q. I'm going to move onto your grievances. Do  
12 you have a copy of your grievances that you filed?

13 A. Not in front of me.

14 Q. I'm looking at Exhibit Number 1 from your  
15 complaint. Attached is a grievance. The grievance  
16 is dated, September 17th, 2013.

17 Do you recall submitting a grievance on  
18 September 17th, 2013?

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. Just to summarize the grievance, it appears  
21 to be involving the overflowing toilet in your cell.  
22 And you mentioned shortness of breath, vomiting,  
23 diarrhea, rash as a result of the overflowing  
24 toilet.

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1 Are you familiar with that grievance?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. Was that the first grievance you submitted  
4 following this incident?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. Is this grievance grieving any particular  
7 employee at PICC?

8 A. You're asking me if it's grieving any  
9 particular person?

10 Q. Yes.

11 A. I don't have the grievance in front of me.

12 Q. Do you recall who this grievance was  
13 directed at, if anybody?

14 A. I would venture to say that the issue  
15 started with CO Walden.

16 Q. I'll represent to you that Correctional  
17 Officer Walden is not mentioned in this grievance.  
18 Nowhere in this grievance does her name appear.

19 A. Okay.

20 Q. Do you recall writing a grievance with  
21 Correctional Officer Walden's name?

22 A. I believe I did. I just don't know which  
23 one.

24 Q. I'm going to move onto the next page of the

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1 Exhibit 1. It appears to be another grievance that  
2 you filed. It's dated October 4th, 2013.

3 Can you explain to me why you submitted the  
4 second grievance? It talks about how the first  
5 grievance wasn't remedied. So can you explain that?

6 A. Actually there was -- they never even  
7 answered the first grievance. There was no  
8 response.

9 Q. Okay. This second grievance dated October  
10 4th, 2013, did you file this because you did not get  
11 a response to your first grievance?

12 A. Would you care to read the grievance to me?

13 Q. Sure. I declare or certify, verify or  
14 state under the penalty of perjury under the laws of  
15 the United States of America that the foregoing is  
16 true and correct. This is in reference to a  
17 previous grievance filed. The grievance was  
18 reviewed by Major Martin and only partially  
19 remedied.

20 Part 1 of the action, requested medical  
21 needs was initiated. However, part 2, action  
22 requested procedural amendment to ensure no  
23 reoccurrence was inadequately addressed. I'm  
24 formally requesting that this continuation grievance

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1 be appealed in order to be reviewed by the  
2 superintendant at the next grievance level seeing  
3 that the initial grievance was not reviewed by a  
4 board.

5 A. Okay. I believe in the rules and  
6 regulations of filing grievances, the grievance is  
7 supposed to be submitted to a board. That was not  
8 done. Also I asked for a procedural amendment so  
9 this doesn't happen again.

10 There is absolutely nothing in place at  
11 that level at PICC to ensure that other inmates  
12 don't have to go through this.

13 Q. Where is your procedural amendment? Is  
14 there a procedure proposed?

15 A. No, I do -- what I was looking for was to  
16 come up with some common ground to submit a  
17 procedural amendment.

18 Q. You never got to the stage of actually  
19 submitting one; is that correct?

20 A. No, at every level the grievances were  
21 brushed off as -- there was no action taken.

22 Q. There's a few parties in this lawsuit, and  
23 I'm going to talk to you about them in a little bit.  
24 You have sued Commissioner Giorla.



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1           Can you tell me about your interaction with  
2 Commissioner Giorla, if there was one?

3       A.       Okay. After all three grievance levels  
4 were pursued per the rules and regulations of  
5 submitting grievances in this process, I personally  
6 spoke to Commissioner Giorla about the situation.  
7 Absolutely no action was taken.

8       Q.       When did you speak with Commissioner  
9 Giorla?

10      A.       I believe three or four days after the  
11 incident occurred. He was actually at PICC and I  
12 spoke to him candidly. If need be, I guess it can  
13 -- the video can be retrieved because it was in shot  
14 of a camera. So...

15      Q.       Where did you speak with Mr. -- or  
16 Commissioner Giorla?

17      A.       On the G2 block.

18      Q.       What time was it when you spoke with him?

19      A.       I would say approximately 10:00 or 11:00 in  
20 the morning, a.m.

21      Q.       And it was either on September 19th or  
22 September 20th; is that correct?

23      A.       I believe so.

24      Q.       What did you say to Commissioner Giorla?

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1     A.           I explained the entire situation that had  
2     happened. I also explained that I had submitted  
3     grievances trying to get some resolution. His  
4     response to the whole conversation was that his  
5     officers are to handle things at their level,  
6     meaning it's not his concern.

7     Q.           What did you ask Commissioner Giorla to do?

8     A.           To look into the situation and hopefully  
9     find a remedy.

10    Q.           Did you propose a remedy to Commissioner  
11    Giorla?

12    A.           No, I did not.

13    Q.           What exactly were you looking for him to  
14    do?

15    A.           To actually put something in place where  
16    this type of incident doesn't have to happen again.  
17    For one, he already stated that his guards are to  
18    handle it at their leisure at that level.

19                My whole thing is, just when they had the  
20    meeting in Major Martin's office, the first thing  
21    she did when she found out about the situation, she  
22    ordered one of her guards to pull the videotape  
23    immediately. Okay.

24                Her first instinct was to let me know that

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1 at that time of night, after 23:00 hours the guard  
2 can't open doors for anyone. But the video footage  
3 obviously will contradict that. Because not one,  
4 but two cells were open for cleaning purposes.

5 So everyone is given the same runaround  
6 here. And I looked towards Commissioner Giorla to  
7 rectify this situation so this type of thing doesn't  
8 happen anymore. And he basically brushed it off.

9 Q. What does Commissioner Giorla look like?

10 A. He's quite heavysset. He's shorter than me.  
11 I'm 6'3" and three-quarters. So he's approximately  
12 -- I would say 5'9", very heavysset man.

13 Q. How old is he?

14 A. I would venture to say in his late 40s,  
15 early 50s.

16 Q. What color is his hair?

17 A. That I don't remember.

18 Q. Does he wear glasses?

19 A. At that time I don't remember him having  
20 glasses on.

21 Q. What was he wearing when you spoke with  
22 him?

23 A. He was wearing a button up shirt, dress  
24 shirt and slacks.

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1 Q. Was he in uniform?

2 A. No, he was not.

3 Q. I want to talk to you about Major Martin.  
4 Can you tell me your interaction with Major Martin?

5 A. Basically at the second level of the  
6 grievance system I was called to Major Martin's  
7 office. To my understanding, she serves on the  
8 grievance board at that level.

9 Once the correctional officer picked me up  
10 from the block and escorted me to her office I went  
11 inside. She asked me what the situation was. I  
12 explained to her in great detail about the cell  
13 overflowing, the toilet overflowing, not being able  
14 to get medical attention that night until the next  
15 morning, where I still didn't get medical attention,  
16 the medical issues that were going on.

17 She, at that point, ordered the guard that  
18 escorted me to go and remove the tape and preserve  
19 the tape. She said she would look into things. I  
20 never heard anything else at that level from her.

21 Q. When did you speak with Major Martin?

22 A. I don't recall what day it was.

23 Q. Do you know how many days after this  
24 incident you spoke with Major Martin?

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1 A. It may have been two to three weeks  
2 afterwards.

3 Q. You first spoke with Major Martin two to  
4 three weeks after this incident?

5 A. I believe so.

6 Q. So you spoke with Commissioner Giorla prior  
7 to speaking with Major Martin?

8 A. That is correct.

9 Q. You had a meeting with Major Martin in her  
10 office?

11 A. That is correct.

12 Q. Where is her office?

13 A. I couldn't give you a floor plan. I don't  
14 -- that's my first time in PICC. So all I know is  
15 how to get to the block, but I was escorted, so...

16 Q. Is Major Martin's office in PICC?

17 A. Yes, it is.

18 Q. You didn't have to go outside to get there?

19 A. No.

20 Q. You said that Major Martin told you she was  
21 going to pull the video?

22 A. She instructed the escorting officer to  
23 immediately pull and preserve the video.

24 Q. When you are referring to a video, what

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1 video camera are you talking about?

2 A. The video camera that is on G2 unit.

3 Q. How many video cameras are on G2?

4 A. I'm not sure.

5 Q. Did you see a video camera on G2?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. How many video cameras did you see?

8 A. I know of one. There's definitely one.

9 Q. Where is the one that you know of? Where  
10 is that located on G2?

11 A. The front half of the block.

12 Q. So there's one video camera on the front  
13 half of the block that faces down the hallway of the  
14 cells; is that correct?

15 A. It actually faces the front of the cells  
16 excluding the corridor, which is at the back of the  
17 block. So the video footage would absolutely,  
18 definitely show that I was banging on the door, that  
19 other inmates were let out, that my cell was  
20 overflowing all night, which is why it's imperative  
21 that I examine that evidence.

22 Q. I think you referenced that you requested  
23 the video be preserved. When did you make a request  
24 that the video be preserved?

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1 A. That -- at that meeting with Major Martin.

2 Q. Was that requested in writing?

3 A. No, it was not.

4 Q. Do you have a copy of any requests you made  
5 to preserve the video of this incident?

6 A. Absolutely not. It was verbal from me to  
7 her and it was verbal from her to her CO.

8 Q. What does Major Martin look like?

9 A. She's an African American woman. I would  
10 probably say in her late 40s, early 50s. Her office  
11 is very small. It's actually crowded by a desk that  
12 probably takes up most of the office.

13 Q. Can you describe her build?

14 A. She is shorter than me. I would probably  
15 say maybe 5'5, 5'6". Medium build. She's not  
16 heavysset and she's not thin.

17 Q. I don't think you mentioned with  
18 Commissioner Giorla, what race is he?

19 A. He's Caucasian.

20 Q. Correctional Officer Walden, you talked  
21 already about when you came into contact with that  
22 officer. Is she a female officer?

23 A. Yes, she is.

24 Q. Can you give me a physical description of

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1 Correctional Officer Walden?

2 A. She's an African American woman. I would  
3 put her taller than Major Martin. So she's probably  
4 about 5'9", 5'10". Probably early to mid 50s.  
5 She's a little bit older. Very thin build.

6 Q. Who is Larry Rodriguez?

7 A. Larry Rodriguez is another inmate who was  
8 incarcerated at the same time I was on G2. He  
9 actually -- several inmates actually witnessed the  
10 overflowing of the raw sewage coming from my cell  
11 out onto the tier.

12 His cell was in proximity where he could  
13 see the front door of my cell. That is why I  
14 ascertained an affidavit from him.

15 Q. Do you know what cell number he was in?

16 A. Not cell number. I can't recall the  
17 number.

18 Q. But you said he was across from you?

19 A. Actually, it's on the upper tier. It's the  
20 last cell, which would be the closest to the CO's  
21 desk upstairs. So his --

22 Q. Could he see inside your cell?

23 A. Inside, I wouldn't say that, no. He could  
24 see -- he can see my window and he can see the



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1 bottom of the door. But as far as visual, inside  
2 the cell, I wouldn't think so.

3 Q. Did you talk to Mr. Rodriguez before he  
4 prepared this affidavit?

5 A. I believe the only thing that I said to him  
6 was I would like to ascertain an affidavit from you,  
7 if you could write down exactly what you saw and  
8 what time it was, and that's what he did.

9 Q. You didn't give Mr. Rodriguez any  
10 information before he prepared this affidavit?

11 A. I don't believe so.

12 Q. Is Mr. Rodriguez a friend of yours?

13 A. No. I had probably known him -- at that  
14 point I had probably known him maybe two weeks.

15 Q. Is there a reason you asked Mr. Rodriguez  
16 to prepare an affidavit as opposed to someone else?

17 A. Because of the position of his cell.

18 Q. Because he was above your cell?

19 A. Because he could see the front of my cell  
20 from his cell.

21 Q. Who is Rodney Johnson?

22 A. He's another gentleman who was incarcerated  
23 at the same time. He was living on G2 with me. His  
24 cell is actually on the lower tier across from my

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1 cell.

2 MR. SHOTLAND: The other attorney  
3 who is here might have a couple questions  
4 for you. I might have a couple after he's  
5 done. Thank you for your time and I'll let  
6 him go.

7 THE WITNESS: Okay. Thank you.

8 BY MR. FERRANTE:

9 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Moore. My name is  
10 Alexander --

11 A. Good afternoon. How are you, sir?

12 Q. I'm fine. Can you hear me okay?

13 A. Actually, I can barely hear you. Hold on  
14 one second.

15 Q. Mr. Moore, my name is Alexander Ferrante.  
16 I represent Nurse McGrogan and I have a few  
17 questions for you.

18 What are all those documents you have in  
19 front of you?

20 A. Actually, I have a presentation for the  
21 opening statement I gave. I also have some legal  
22 documentation, case law as to what can be done and  
23 what can't be done. And then I have several  
24 documents as far as what's been filed and what

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1 hasn't. And also things from the medical department  
2 and denying me access to contact both counsel for  
3 the defendant.

4 Q. Did you bring with you your complaint?

5 A. No, I did not.

6 Q. What legal documents did you bring then?

7 A. The ones I just described to you.

8 Q. You haven't described any to me.

9 What legal documents are sitting in front  
10 of you?

11 A. Okay. I have the order from the judge  
12 granting a motion to compel.

13 Q. Excuse me, Mr. Moore --

14 A. I have a notice of --

15 Q. Mr. Moore, let's go back to that. Go back  
16 to that order. What's the date of that?

17 A. Third day of December, 2013.

18 Q. What else do you have?

19 A. I have notice of deposition from you. I  
20 also have the video conference order. I have the  
21 first scheduling order and also the pretrial  
22 conference and hearing on my motion to the judge.

23 Q. So you knew we were going to take your  
24 deposition today?

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1 A. Yes, which I objected to.

2 Q. And although you knew we were going to take  
3 it, you chose not to bring the copies of your  
4 grievances or a copy of your complaint?

5 A. I wasn't instructed to bring those things.

6 Q. Well, you weren't instructed to bring what  
7 you've brought with you today, you still brought  
8 them.

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. Did you -- do you have any personal notes  
11 at all about what took place on September 16th or  
12 the 17th?

13 A. Personal notes?

14 Q. Yes. Did you take down any notes, write  
15 anything down on paper?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Keep a diary at all?

18 A. No, all I have is my original complaint.

19 Q. Let's talk about the night of September  
20 16th. You said you were near the footlocker --  
21 sitting on the footlocker, there was an explosion,  
22 stuff comes all out of the toilet. I want to start  
23 from that moment. Okay?

24 A. Yes, sir.

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1 Q. When did it stop coming out of the toilet?

2 A. It didn't because it continuously  
3 overflowed. Every 10 minutes it would overflow.

4 Q. That leads me to believe at one point it  
5 has to stop in order for it to continue?

6 A. That is correct.

7 Q. So when did it first stop?

8 A. It overflowed for approximately 15 to 20  
9 seconds and then it would stop.

10 Q. Now, during that first time, that 15 or 20  
11 seconds when it overflowed you were near your  
12 footlocker?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. Now, after it stopped, did you clean  
15 yourself up?

16 A. The only thing I did was I washed the raw  
17 sewage out of my face.

18 Q. Did you wash your hands?

19 A. I rinsed my hands.

20 Q. Did you change clothing?

21 A. No, I did not.

22 Q. Well, it's September, it's in the prison,  
23 were you just wearing your boxers?

24 A. Actually, I was about to get undressed for

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1 bed. I was sitting on the footlocker taking off my  
2 shoes when the toilet exploded. And at that time I  
3 only had one set of prison uniform and one pair of  
4 sheets. Might I add, I had to sleep on those soiled  
5 sheets for two days before I could get them changed.

6 Q. Now, since you saw that the footlocker --  
7 I'm sorry, since you saw that the toilet exploded, I  
8 would imagine you kept your shoes on?

9 A. Actually I did.

10 Q. Now, did you keep them on for the rest of  
11 the evening until the early morning?

12 A. No, I did not because the raw sewage had  
13 seeped down into the shoes.

14 Q. Well, we talked about the first incident,  
15 there was a 15 second burst, it stopped. When did  
16 the next one happen?

17 A. Approximately 10 minutes later.

18 Q. How long did that last?

19 A. About the same length in time, but granted  
20 when other toilets would flush on the upper tier,  
21 our toilet would overflow in between those intervals  
22 of 10 minutes.

23 Q. So did you put anything over the toilet to  
24 stop it from overflowing?

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1 A. Absolutely not.

2 Q. Did you put anything into the toilet to try  
3 to clog it up?

4 A. Absolutely not.

5 Q. Now, how many inches off the floor is the  
6 first bunk bed?

7 A. I would estimate maybe a foot and a half,  
8 two feet.

9 Q. So if someone is sitting on the first bunk  
10 bed you wouldn't be in the raw sewage?

11 A. That's correct. You wouldn't be in the raw  
12 sewage.

13 Q. Is there a reason why you didn't stay on  
14 the bed?

15 A. Once the incident happened I was actually  
16 covered in sewage. So me laying down in bed, which  
17 I eventually did being in distress, I was still  
18 covered in raw sewage.

19 Q. That's not my question.

20 Why wouldn't you just stay in bed so your  
21 feet wouldn't be in it?

22 A. The reason for that is because I was  
23 banging on the door trying to get CO Walden's  
24 attention to open the door because I was in distress

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1 and needed medical attention.

2 Q. After that didn't work, why didn't you just  
3 stay in the bed?

4 A. I did.

5 Q. So was there only one time you left the bed  
6 to go over to the cell door and try to get her  
7 attention?

8 A. Once that incident happened I banged at the  
9 door. The banging lasted about maybe 45 minutes to  
10 no avail. After that I sat on my bunk in the bed  
11 covered in raw sewage, yes.

12 Q. So we're talking about a time period from  
13 11:15 to about 7:30 in the morning, correct?

14 A. That is correct.

15 Q. During that entire time there was a period  
16 of 10 to 15 minutes that you tried to get someone's  
17 attention?

18 A. I'm sorry, can you repeat the question?

19 Q. Well, from 11:15 to 7:30 you told us that  
20 you were sitting on the bed except for about 10 to  
21 15 minutes where you were trying to get someone's  
22 attention at the door?

23 A. That's incorrect.

24 Q. What's incorrect about it?



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1 A. I stated that for 45 minutes I tried to get  
2 her attention at the door. After that time I sat in  
3 my bunk. The toilet overflowed every 10 minutes.

4 Q. How long were you at the door total trying  
5 to get her attention?

6 A. I was at the door for about 45 minutes and  
7 then my cellmate, Mr. Bassamy, took over.

8 Q. Mr. Moore, what medications are you on  
9 today?

10 A. I'm on an aspirin a day for my heart. I am  
11 on Nitrostat Tabs, which is Nitroglycerin, which is  
12 PRN for my CAD and I'm also on Risperdal.

13 Q. Are you on Zantac at all?

14 A. No.

15 Q. What was the Zantac for?

16 A. Zantac?

17 Q. Yes.

18 A. When was that administered?

19 Q. Well, that was administered as soon as you  
20 got to the prison in July of 2013 and it continued.

21 A. Do you know what that medication is for?

22 Q. It's a mental health medication. Do you  
23 have a mental health problem?

24 A. I do. I have PTSD. That medication was

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1     probably given -- it's just my assumption that the  
2     medication was given until I actually got to my  
3     jail. They did a reassessment, and I'm on Risperdal  
4     now. I'm also on 90, 600 milligram Motrin per month  
5     for back issues.

6     Q.           Mr. Moore, let's talk about that evening.  
7     Before we get there, the mental hospital that you  
8     were in in 2012, do you remember the name of that?

9     A.           Now I do. It was Cypress Hill (sic) and  
10    that is in Houston, Texas.

11    Q.           Now, you went down to medical -- I think  
12    you said around 9:00 a.m. that morning on the 17th?

13    A.           I believe so.

14    Q.           Had you taken a shower yet?

15    A.           They allowed me to take a shower before I  
16    went to medical.

17    Q.           So you were able to get cleaned up?

18    A.           Correct.

19    Q.           Did they give you a new uniform?

20    A.           Yes, they did.

21    Q.           Now, did you walk down to medical?

22    A.           Yes, I did.

23    Q.           So at 9:00 a.m. you were able to walk on  
24    your own without having any problems?

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1 A. Correct. I would also like to add that  
2 without submitting proper work to go to sick call  
3 down in medical, there's only a limited amount of  
4 reasons that they would allow you to go directly  
5 from the block to medical without the paperwork.

6 One being in distress, another bleeding  
7 from an altercation, heart attack, stroke, only  
8 those types of emergencies are allowed to be  
9 processed directly from the block to medical.

10 Q. Now, in an emergency situation you would be  
11 escorted -- a prisoner is escorted to medical; isn't  
12 that true?

13 A. I don't know what their procedure is.

14 Q. Do you think this was an emergency  
15 situation?

16 A. Well, I was in distress and I do have a  
17 history of heart problems.

18 Q. Well, that wasn't my question.

19 Did you think this was an emergency  
20 situation?

21 A. Yes. Obviously if they allowed me to go to  
22 medical.

23 Q. No. No. I want your opinion right now.

24 You went to medical because you wanted to

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1 go to medical, so they sent you down.

2 Were you having an emergency? That's a yes  
3 or no question.

4 A. I will answer it like this --

5 Q. I want an answer yes or no and then you can  
6 explain your answer.

7 A. I was ordered to medical, yes.

8 Q. Now, when you got down to medical were your  
9 vital signs taken?

10 A. A finger monitor was placed on my finger.

11 Q. Let me ask you again. Do you know what  
12 vital signs are, Mr. Moore?

13 A. I'm not a medical professional, so when you  
14 say vital signs, I don't know what you're talking  
15 about.

16 Q. As you sit here today, being in the  
17 hospitalizations you've had in the past, you don't  
18 know what vital signs are, that's what you're  
19 telling the jury?

20 A. Are you talking about heart rate, blood  
21 pressure -- blood pressure wasn't taken. No medical  
22 attention was given besides a finger monitor.  
23 That's what I'm telling you.

24 Q. Would taking your blood pressure have been

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1 a good thing or a bad thing?

2 A. It would have been a good thing if it was  
3 administered.

4 Q. Well, your blood pressure was 110 over 80  
5 that day. It was taken that morning by  
6 Ms. McGrogan.

7 Did you know that?

8 A. If that's what the finger monitor does, I  
9 would guess that that's what it does.

10 Q. Do you know what your oxygen rate was? Do  
11 you know what oxygenation is?

12 A. I absolutely do not.

13 Q. Your pulse oxygenation rate was 97 on room  
14 air. I'm letting you know that so you can look it  
15 up when you go back to your cell to try to find out  
16 what that meant. Because I think right now you have  
17 no idea what these medical records show what they  
18 did for you that day.

19 What's your respiration? Do you know what  
20 your respiration rate was?

21 A. No, I do not.

22 Q. What about your pulse rate?

23 A. Well, I do know what a pulse is. It's  
24 amazing to me that you can tell all these things

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1 from a finger monitor. Because that's all the  
2 entire medical visit consisted of.

3 Q. When you got down to medical they did an  
4 exam on you and they found no shortness of breath.

5 Do you know what shortness of breath is?

6 A. Absolutely I do.

7 Q. Were you having shortness of breath at 9:00  
8 or 9:30 a.m.?

9 A. I was.

10 Q. Were you having a rash at 9:00 or 9:30 a.m.  
11 that morning?

12 A. At -- that morning the rash hadn't started  
13 yet.

14 Q. Were you complaining of chest pain at 9:00  
15 to 9:30 in the morning?

16 A. I was.

17 Q. Can you explain how you can have chest  
18 pain, but have a normal oxygen rate and a normal  
19 pulse rate?

20 A. No, I cannot.

21 Q. Were you vomiting that morning in the  
22 medical department?

23 A. Not in the medical department, no. The  
24 visit was very short.

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1 Q. So in the medical department there was no  
2 vomiting going on? No diarrhea?

3 A. No, I did not vomit.

4 Q. Any diarrhea in the medical department?

5 A. Not in the medical department, no.

6 Q. Any complaints of headaches in the medical  
7 department?

8 A. Yes, I did tell her about the headaches.

9 And I also explained it was probably breathing the  
10 raw sewage for over eight hours.

11 I do have a question. How can -- how is it  
12 possible to determine oxygen in the blood with a  
13 finger monitor?

14 Q. In your complaint you list a bunch of  
15 things that -- a bunch of your injuries. It's on  
16 page 3.

17 Do you realize that headaches was not one  
18 of the things that you complained about?

19 A. It may not have been. I also have  
20 something to add. If the headaches or the vomiting,  
21 stomach problems weren't there, why was the medical  
22 department prescribing medication to treat it?

23 Q. When did you go back to medical?

24 A. I was basically going -- dropping a sick

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1 call slip every day.

2 Q. Well, do you remember going back?

3 A. I never went back to the medical  
4 department. I went to the triage, which is right  
5 out of the block.

6 Q. When was the next time you had any type of  
7 medical treatment?

8 A. I believe the following day.

9 Q. And who treated you then?

10 A. The doctor on duty.

11 Q. By that time was your cell cleaned?

12 A. Yes, I was ordered to clean the cell before  
13 I could even go to medical that day.

14 Q. So it had been cleaned by the time you left  
15 at 9 o'clock?

16 A. That is correct.

17 Q. Any trouble cleaning the cell?

18 A. Just basically exposing myself further to  
19 the raw sewage with no protective gear. To my  
20 understanding, that prison officials are supposed to  
21 have designated HAZMAT people to clean up bodily  
22 fluids, which did not happen.

23 Q. But you had no trouble physically cleaning?

24 A. Sure there was trouble.



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1 Q. Did you have a mop?

2 A. No, I did it on my hands and knees.

3 Q. What about your roommate, did he do it on  
4 his hands and knees too?

5 A. No. At 7:30, when they cracked the doors  
6 to let us out, he was summoned on a path to  
7 somewhere. So I had to do everything myself.

8 Q. Now, the next day you had some medical  
9 treatment. And do you remember having your vital  
10 signs taken that day?

11 A. No, I do not remember per se.

12 Q. You were complaining that your stomach was  
13 upset.

14 A. Okay.

15 Q. Does that refresh your memory at all?

16 A. I believe my stomach was upset at that  
17 point.

18 Q. They asked you if you have shortness of  
19 breath and you said no --

20 A. The following day you're talking about?

21 Q. Yes.

22 A. You're talking about the 18th?

23 Q. I'm talking about the 18th. That's the  
24 following day; isn't it?

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1 A. It is the following day.

2 Q. And you weren't complaining of shortness of  
3 breath then?

4 A. Okay. If that's what it says, that's what  
5 it says.

6 Q. Don't you remember -- you have no memory of  
7 the following day what your symptoms were?

8 A. You're asking -- what you're doing is  
9 you're asking me to remember something from a year  
10 and a half ago to today. Is that what you're  
11 asking?

12 Q. I'm asking what symptoms in this traumatic  
13 event in your life you were having the next day?

14 A. Okay. I was having stomach problems. I  
15 was still vomiting. I was having diarrhea and  
16 severe headaches.

17 Q. You weren't having chest pains, you weren't  
18 having shortness of breath?

19 A. No. The next day, which was the 17th,  
20 which would be the day before, chest pains subsided  
21 that afternoon even though I was denied the  
22 Nitroglycerin.

23 Q. The chest pain subsided on the afternoon of  
24 September 17th?

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1 A. 17th, correct.

2 Q. When did you have any other medical  
3 treatment for any other reason -- for any reason by  
4 any provider?

5 A. I was seen several days in a row for the  
6 athlete's foot, for the rashes. I was prescribed  
7 the antifungal cream. I was given Motrin for the  
8 headaches. I was given antacids for the stomach  
9 problems for several days after until I was informed  
10 by the doctor -- my sick call request would no  
11 longer be accepted.

12 Q. You had a sick call and you were seen on  
13 September 23rd for your feet. You had another sick  
14 call and you were seen on March 23rd. You were  
15 discharged from this prison to Graterford on  
16 November -- it looks like November 13th.

17 Does that correspond with your memory?

18 A. Pretty much.

19 Q. What is it you wanted Nurse McGrogan to do  
20 for you that morning?

21 A. It's what she didn't do. She didn't  
22 provide me any medical care.

23 Q. So you wanted her to provide you with  
24 medical care? That's what you wanted?

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1 A. Correct.

2 Q. She didn't think medical care, other than  
3 what she did, was necessary. You have a difference  
4 of opinion?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And what's the basis of your difference?  
7 What more was it that you wanted her to do?

8 A. For one, she was informed by me that I take  
9 Nitroglycerin. That was denied.

10 Q. Well, you had no shortness of breath. She  
11 thought medically you didn't need it. There was no  
12 complaints of chest pains. There was no shortness  
13 of breath. Your oxygenation was normal. Your pulse  
14 rate was normal. Your blood pressure was normal.

15 A. That's absolutely incorrect because I  
16 informed her of the chest pains. And like I stated  
17 for the record before, the only thing that was done  
18 by Nurse McGrogan while I was at medical was a  
19 finger monitor. Now if you can monitor --

20 Q. What else did you want her to do?

21 A. Administer medication that I'm allowed to  
22 have.

23 Q. So you wanted medication? That's what  
24 you --

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1 A. Correct.

2 Q. I thought you came down there to be  
3 examined and to be checked out to see what medical  
4 needs you had? Or did you just go down looking for  
5 medication?

6 A. As I stated before, I informed the block  
7 officer that morning that I was having chest pains.  
8 That's the only way that you can get off of the  
9 block and considered an emergency.

10 Q. Thank you.

11 A. Thank you.

12 MR. FERRANTE: I don't have any  
13 other questions for you.

14 BY MR. SHOTLAND:

15 Q. Mr. Moore, just very briefly, was there  
16 soap in your cell?

17 A. I'm not sure whether there was soap in the  
18 cell or not.

19 Q. You don't know whether there was soap in  
20 your cell?

21 A. Yeah, because some days -- when soap is  
22 handed out, some days you may go through a period of  
23 two or three days without any soap before you get  
24 your renewal.

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1 Q. And you don't remember whether there was  
2 soap in your cell?

3 A. I don't remember.

4 Q. But there was a sink in your cell?

5 A. That is correct.

6 Q. And after the toilet overflowed for the  
7 first time, you went to the sink and you washed  
8 yourself off as best as you could?

9 A. I splashed water in my eyes and in my mouth  
10 to get the raw sewage out of my face area.

11 Q. Was there anything stopping you from  
12 cleaning yourself off at the sink?

13 A. The raw sewage that was spurting out of the  
14 toilet. The -- let me just give you an idea that --  
15 the sink sits over top of the toilet.

16 Q. The sink is directly over top of the  
17 toilet?

18 A. Not directly. It's in the proximity over  
19 the toilet.

20 Q. And at times you said the toilet was  
21 overflowing every 10 minutes, but within those 10  
22 minute periods it was not overflowing, correct?

23 A. Some there weren't, some there were. Like  
24 I said, when the cells above me would flush their

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1 toilet within that 10 minute interval, our toilet  
2 would overflow again.

3 MR. SHOTLAND: Thank you,  
4 Mr. Moore. That's all I have.

5 (Witness excused.)

6 (Deposition concluded at  
7 3:44 p.m.)

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